Bookkeeping

- **Reading Journals:**
  - Read *each* article
  - Bring insights from articles together in discussion
  - Try to synthesize!

- **Reminder: October 1st writing workshop**
  - Workshop guidelines posted (more guidance)

- Updated assignment posted

- Come to office hours with questions / drafts / ideas!
You are writing about whether and how to regulate the automated car industry. The primary question is: Should the automated car industry in the United States be regulated – now, as well as in future? How: by whom, and using what laws, regulations, policies, or standards? Why?
Ethics & Responsibility

- **Everyone** has some responsibility for the consequences of their actions.

- Some (usually implicit) counter-arguments:
  - “I didn’t mean for it to do that / didn’t intend that use”
  - “It wouldn’t have worked if people weren’t _____ …”
    - Stupid / careless / inattentive / indifferent / …
  - “They had to make a decision, too”
    - “I may have offered the bribe, but…”
    - “She put her info on Facebook and Foursquare…”

- None of these are ethically (or legally) defensible.
Ethics & Responsibility

Everyone?

- The person/people/entity who *did* the damage?
- The person/people/entity who *enabled* the damage?
- The person/people/entity who *allowed* the damage?
- The person/people/entities who are *damaged*?
  - Very rarely.

- These parties do not all bear the *same* responsibility.
Who are members of these groups?

Could they have been reasonably expected to foresee that damage?
- Given reasonable (but probably imperfect) people
- Think about a variety of situations.
- For us: would they have to be above average tech savvy?

Would the actions that could avoid damage themselves violate ethics or infringe on rights?
- Just don’t use Facebook! (Well, only some people.)
So what responsibilities do we have? Perfection?

Due Diligence:
- “…refers to the care a reasonable person should take before entering into … a transaction with another party.” [1]
- “Reasonable steps taken by a person in order to satisfy a legal requirement, especially in buying or selling something.” [2]

Standard of Care:
- “Such reasonable caution as a prudent [person] would have exercised under such circumstances.” [3]

Discussion Questions

For ALL of the topics covered in the readings

- Was damage done (or could it be?) What damage?

- Who’s responsible?
  - Girls Around Me
  - In-App Purchases
  - Microsoft’s marketplace
  - Developer negligence

- Could they have reasonably foreseen the damage?

- Could they avoid it? Could they be required to? Ethically?

- Who’s responsible for fixing it? For preventing it? How?